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Art Unit: 3732

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For: LOCKING CAP ASSEMBLY FOR SPINAL
FIXATION INSTRUMENTATION

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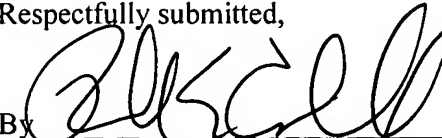
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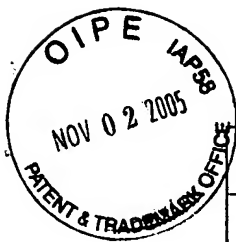
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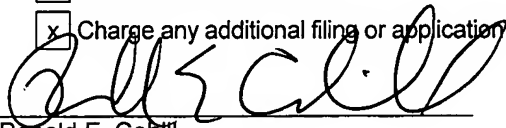
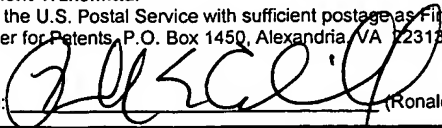
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